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CLARA SMITH HOME FRIDAY!

FIRE AT CITY HALL THIS MORN

Smoke From Blaze Rouses
Firemen Sleeping in
Nearby Room.

Fire, starting from a defective flue in the police station had burned a great hole in the ceiling of the police station and was burning in the ceiling of the city hall directly overhead when smoke from the flame roused one of the firemen sleeping in a room fifteen feet away at 3:30 Thursday morning, and only the prompt and efficient work of the fire fighting force saved the entire building from destruction.

A fire is left burning in the gas stove at the police station during the night and it is supposed that the flame from this stove came in contact with the wood work of the ceiling through a crack in the flue and started the blaze.

The firemen were sleeping in their quarters on the second floor of the building about fifteen feet from the place where the flame started. The door between them and the fire was closed and the fire had gained considerable headway before the smoke found its way into their room.

Quickly connecting the hose the firemen threw a stream of water on the spreading flames which were soon under control and finally extinguished.

A great hole was burned in the ceiling of the police station and the ceiling of the city hall directly overhead, and most of the wood-work between the ceiling and the roof of the city hall was burned out. The total damage is estimated at \$500.00, which is partly covered by insurance.

Two prisoners in the city jail located just across the hallway, about twenty feet from the main blaze, became frightened and begged to be released until the fire was over. Chief Jones unlocked the door and liberated the men. They made no attempt to run away and were found at the station at 6 o'clock when the day police force came on duty and locked them up again to serve out the remaining two days of their sentence.

The very efficient work of the fire department in this case is commendable and proves again that the property owners of the city have the very best protection against the hazard of fire. They never fail to do good work when given a chance, and their work last night while most of the citizens of Ada were asleep no doubt saved the entire block from burning.

The damaged building will be repaired at once.

GAS RATE HIKE AT HENRYETTA

(By the Associated Press.)
OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 23.—An order increasing gas rates at Henryetta was issued today by corporation commission. Rates will range from 35 cents a thousand cubic feet for the first one hundred thousand cubic feet, and 12 cents a thousands for all over one million feet. The company affected is the Henryetta Gas company.

OKLAHOMA CITY—Stephen T. King, Oklahoma City wholesale grain dealer, died here recently while at work at his desk. Physicians said heart trouble caused his death.

OKLAHOMA CITY SHORT OF GAS

Break in Main Near Duncan
Causes Much Misery
From Cold.

(By the Associated Press.)
OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 23.—A break in the gas main from the Duncan field south of here Wednesday morning, and the subsequent shutting off of all pressure last night while workmen repaired the break, caused much suffering in the south side of the city.

The weather bureau reported that the record for low temperature on December 23rd was broken early today when the mercury dropped to 16 degrees above zero, two degrees lower than the previous record in 1913. The state generally today experienced its coldest weather of the winter, reports to the weather bureau indicated temperatures ranged from 8 to 16 degrees in the extreme northwestern section and 20 to 22 in the east and southeast. Temperature will rise today, it was said at the weather bureau, but continued cold weather for tonight and Friday is forecast. Christmas day is expected to be clear and cold.

STATE DEPARTMENT STOPS CONTROVERSY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The state department intervened today in what threatened to be a controversy between the British embassy and the senate committee investigating cable communications over the question of whether there is a British censorship of cable messages to the United States originating in the British Isles.

The department's action was regarded as a rebuke to the embassy for sending direct to Senator Kellogg, chairman of the committee, a letter denying the test of Newcomb Carlton, president of the Western Union Telegraph Company, that cable messages coming to the United States from Great Britain were subject to delay by the British naval authorities.

The embassy's action is understood to have been regarded by the department as a breach of diplomatic courtesy.

WHITE MAN IS MOBBED NEAR FT. WORTH, TEX.

(By the Associated Press.)
FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 23.—Tom W. Vickery, a white man, held on a charge of murder in connection with the killing Monday night of Policeman Jeff C. Couch, was taken from the county jail here shortly after midnight by a mob and hanged. Several shots were fired into his body.

Twenty-five masked men entered the jail, overpowered the jailer and his assistant, opening Vickery's cell the mob quietly removed the prisoner, clad only in night clothes to a grove near the packing house district and swung him to a tree. After firing a few shots into the body the masked men dispersed, leaving no clue as to their identity.

Both tenants and owners of land in Kaufman county are agreeing to reduce cotton acreage one-third in 1921.

To Spend Christmas in Ardmore



Clara Smith Hamon and Jake L. Hamon.

This is the latest photo of the mysterious Clara Smith who has evaded the officers of the law since the death of Jake L. Hamon, Ardmore millionaire, November 22. She has surrendered and will spend Christmas in Ardmore.

CHRISTMAS TO BE GALA AFFAIR

Churches and Charity Organizations Preparing for Gay Event.

Christmas will be celebrated in this city with the aid of the time old Santa Claus and the Christmas trees, decorated with beautiful gifts, candles and other beautiful ornaments.

Many of the churches of the city will celebrate the birth of Christ in this manner and most of them have prepared good programs appropriate for the occasion. The Sunday school classes have united their effort with the church proper and it is expected to make this one of the best Christmases in the whole history of the city.

The Baptist, Methodist, Christian, Episcopal and Presbyterian churches have announced their programs for Christmas eve, all of which begin at 7 or 7:30. These churches extend a hearty welcome to all who care to attend.

In the bustle and excitement of making ready for Christmas, the good people of the city have not forgotten the poor and unfortunate ones. An empty stocking fund has been open to those who cared to contribute to this cause for several days, and a good sum of money has been raised. The Elks club and other organizations are also preparing for the coming Christmas in helping with this charity work.

There will be many other private Christmas trees over the city in tomorrow night and most of the homes have been decorated with Christmas decorations and the Christmas spirit is very much in evidence everywhere.

STATE OF WAR BETWEEN FIUME AND ALL ITALY

(By the Associated Press.)
LONDON, Dec. 23.—D'Annunzio has proclaimed that a state of war exists between his Fiume government and Italy, and has forbidden the population of Fiume to leave the city, says a Rome dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph quoting Italian advices.

The proclamation, says the Rome Central News correspondent, adds that anyone speaking against D'Annunzio is liable to be shot.

MAY INCREASE OIL LAND TAX

Proposed Law Would Increase State Income Two Million Dollars.

(By the Associated Press.)
OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 23.—Assessment of gross production taxes on oil from restricted oil lands in the Osage nation has the approval of Senator Charles Curtis, of Kansas, chairman of the committee on Indian affairs, according to a telegram received from the senate by Governor Robertson today.

A measure containing this feature and an extension of restriction over a period of 25 years ending in 1936 will be recommended by the committee on Indian affairs for early passage, the telegram indicated. Provisions of the bill are that gross production taxes of 23 per cent are to be paid by operators on their share of oil gotten from Osage leases to the state treasurer.

Basing his estimate on the production of the Osage field during the last year, Governor Robertson predicted that the measure will increase the income of the state by approximately two million dollars.

JAPS CHARGED WITH CRIMES AS BAD AS GERMANS

(By the Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—A statement charging Japanese military authorities with deeds more "frightful and barbarous" than anything ever alleged to have occurred in Belgium during the war, was issued today by the commission, based on the commission said, or authentic reports received from Manchuria.

The Japanese punitive expedition was alleged to have "burned 32 villages, killed all the male inhabitants of the districts, and massacred 145 peaceful citizens in one town, where one house was burned, it was said, with women and children inside."

SENATE AND HOUSE ADJOURN FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

(By the Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Following the holiday plan of the house the senate adjourned today to adjourn until Monday.

XMAS PROGRAM AT HIGH SCHOOL

Student Body Render Good
Program at School This
Morning.

Starting off with a fine selection excellently rendered by the Ada High school band, the high school student body, under the leadership of Prof. A. L. Fentem and his corps of able teachers, rendered a fine Christmas program this morning which was a great credit to the school.

Miss Reva Anderson received a hearty applause for singing most sweetly a Christmas song, and the hand clapping was equally prolonged in appreciation of the skillful execution of Griegs piano solo, "To the Spring," by Miss Violet Moore. A girl's Glee Club then sang, "The Little Town of Bethlehem" and "The Little Baby of Bethlehem" Christmas carols exceptionally well. "Silent Night" was also well rendered by a girl's sextet from the glee club. The numbers rendered by the Glee Club was accompanied on the piano by Miss Violet Moore and on the violin by Miss Elizabeth Cain.

Judge Busby then made an appeal for the boys of the band to join the Boy Scout organization which was followed by the singing of "The Boy Scout March" by the entire student body.

The real Christmas spirit of the school was displayed when it was announced that the Ada high school girls and boys collected from their student body the amount of \$38.80 which they had decided to use in making Ada children happy during the coming Christmas. Other students brought a large amount of clothing which will be used for the same purpose. Committees composed of the students will have charge of the work.

The morning program ended with an old fashioned handshaking, wishing each other and all "a merry Christmas and a happy New Year."

It's Different Here.

According to a Massachusetts judge, Jamaica ginger, called "Jake" by those who drink it as a beverage, is not intoxicating. In Oklahoma any judge who would hand down any such decision would be regarded with suspicion. "Jake," analyzed here the other day, contained enough poison to kill a Missouri mule, or cause a wooden Indian to go upon the warpath.—Oil & Gas Journal.

GROSS DEFICIENCY FORECASTED BY SEC'Y. HOUSTON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—A gross deficiency in national fiscal transactions of two billion one hundred million dollars this year and one billion five hundred million dollars for the next fiscal year was forecast today by Secretary Houston in testimony before the senate finance committee, which is considering the soldier bonus bill. The secretary said federal finances were in such shape that new sources of revenue must be found and no new burdens added to the treasury.

The secretary was invited to appear today a continuance of the committee's hearing on the bill for adjusting the war veteran compensation with a so called bonus or other optional privileges.

1st PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, SAPULPA, IS BURNED TODAY

SAPULPA, Dec. 23.—Fire totally destroyed the first Presbyterian church here early today. Loss to the building is estimated at \$15,000, not including a \$2,000 pipe organ and other fixtures. The blaze is thought to have started from a leak in a gas pipe.

Citizens immediately began plans to collect funds for a new edifice.

Charlie Algeo Is To Be Buried at Wichita Friday

Charlie Angelo, formerly of Ada, who was drowned near Wichita, Kan., Monday night, will be buried at Wichita Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

This announcement was made by Jack Kitchel who received a telegram to that effect this morning.

State Will Aid Prosecution, OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 23.—The state of Oklahoma will aid in the prosecution of Clara Barton Smith, who surrendered last night at Jaurez, Mexico, when the case comes to trial, Governor Robertson announced here at noon today. He has instructed the attorney general's department to assist in the prosecution.

Surrenders To Sheriff Buck Garrett of Ardmore, and Spends Night With Parents in El Paso; Will Reach Ardmore Tomorrow and Make Bond.

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 23.—Clara Barton Smith left El Paso this morning bound for Ardmore by way of Ft. Worth. She was accompanied by her lawyer, and Sheriff Buck Garrett.

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 23.—Clara Barton Smith slept under her parents' roof last night, ending a search by Oklahoma officials, which began on November 22nd.

Miss Smith came to Jaurez, opposite here, last night, surrendered to Sheriff Buck Garrett of Ardmore and was taken to the home of her father, James L. Smith, in El Paso, where she spent the night.

Little of the story of her disappearance following the shooting of Jake L. Hamon on November 21st was made public by the young woman. She was met at the train in Juarez by the sheriff, her uncle Ben Harrison and attorneys who have been engaged as her counsel. There was a short greeting and consultation on the station platform and then the party was whisked back over the international bridge into El Paso.

Miss Smith's father supplied the only information given out regarding the woman's flight from Jaurez to Chihuahua City.

"A man she met on the train from Jaurez to Chihuahua must have been heaven-sent," he said. "She had never seen him before. They did not even talk the same language. He approached her, knowing she was in trouble, and volunteered to shield her and Clara reposed her trust in him. He guarded her as carefully as though she were his own child. I believe God guided that friend to her in her hour of need." Her "friend" was a Chihuahua official, the father said, who took Clara to his home and his wife became Clara's companion. The official policed his estate with private detectives to keep her safe and no one, not even her own brother, "Jimmy," was allowed to see her until he had thoroughly established his identity.

"Clara is broken in health," the father said. "Her mother and I can notice it. Gone is her vivacity, her quick, lythe movement and ready laughter. The strain has been too much for her. The ordeal is not over yet. I hope God, given her strength to endure all that is yet to come. You know to us Clara is only a baby. We are glad she is home, and after all this is over she's going to stay with us."

When asked for an interview Miss Smith said she wanted to give her story to the Associated Press, but she was too tired last night. Later her attorneys announced that they had advised that she give out no further statement, because of the charges against her. Late last night a physician was summoned to administer to her.

Sheriff Garrett made good his promise to allow her freedom with her family. Sheriff Orndorff of El Paso deputized a taxicab driver and stationed him in front of the Smith home all night, not so much as a guard, but to keep newspaper men and curious people from approaching the house. The party is scheduled to reach Fort Worth Friday morning, and to reach Ardmore that afternoon. Bond of \$10,000 is to be furnished immediately and Miss Smith is expected to spend a week with friends in Oklahoma before returning to El Paso to await trial.

Attorney McLean of Fort Worth and Attorney Charles A. Coakley of Ardmore said they would ask a speedy trial and expressed the belief that her acquittal would result.

"The sympathy of the people of Carter county (Oklahoma) is with Miss Smith," Sheriff Garrett said. Mr. Hamon was shot in an Ardmore hotel and before his death gave out a statement saying that the shot was accidental and relieved Miss Smith of all blame. The county attorney, however, swore out a warrant which later was changed to murder and another containing a statutory charge. Miss Smith was Mr. Hamon's secretary.

(By the Associated Press.)
ARDMORE, Dec. 23.—"We have understood all the time that there is

a will of the late Jake L. Hamon in existence, and that Clara Smith is left one-fourth of the estate," James Mathers, of the firm of Mathers and Coakley, attorneys for Clara Smith, stated this morning. "I see in one of her statements that this belief is substantiated," he added. "I do not believe the will is in Ardmore."

Relative to the surrender of Clara Smith, Mr. Mathers stated: "I have heard nothing from Sheriff Garrett or Charles Coakley. All I know is what I read in the newspapers," he declared.

(By the Associated Press.)

EL PASO, Dec. 23.—Sheriff Garrett said that he would telegraph to Kansas City to have Miss Smith's trunks, which were opened here some weeks ago, sent back to Ardmore.

"I have nothing to wear except this," pointing to her blue serge dress, the girl is reported to have told the sheriff after they had entered her father's home.

According to a friend of the family, who was present when the party arrived, the greeting was very dramatic.

"Dad, dear old Dad," the returning daughter shouted, as her father came out to meet her. They embraced.

Mrs. Smith came out from another room and Clara flung herself into her arms.

"Clara," was all the girl's mother said.

Miss Smith said nothing, but clung to her mother a full minute.

"Would you have run away from Ardmore, if you had seen me at my window," the sheriff is said to have asked the girl. "Run away?" repeated Miss Smith as she shot a sidelong glance and smiled.

"I didn't run away. I drove up and down for a long time after the shooting. If I had seen you I would have gone to you. You are the very one I wanted to see."

He said, "I will instruct the attorney general to assist in the prosecution."

The governor said that public opinion in Ardmore may be so prejudiced in favor of Clara Smith that any attorney appointed by the court to prosecute might be unsatisfactory.

James P. Mathers, county attorney-elect, who will succeed Russell Brown on January 1, is now an attorney for Clara Smith and will be barred from taking part in the case.

In discussing the case, Governor Robertson said he was convinced that there is a great deal of "horse play" in the preparation for prosecution. He said that in his opinion the woman "should be convicted of manslaughter and serve a term in the pen."

Members of the attorney general's staff say that if the prosecution is to be in their hands they will ask that the trial be held in another county where a jury could be chosen with less difficulty, and the influence of public opinion would not be so great.

Daniel Webster's Prophecy Is Fulfilled By Coolidge at Pilgrim's Tercentenary

PLYMOUTH, Dec. 23.—A prophecy made by Daniel Webster 100 years ago, was fulfilled Tuesday when Governor Coolidge, sitting in the ancient rush-bottomed chair of the Pilgrim, Governor Carver, talked by telephone across the continent with a representative of Governor Stephens of California.

In the speech of Webster, December 22, 1820, at the observance of the 200th anniversary of the forefathers' landing, he pictured the assemblage that 100 years later again would honor the memory of the Pilgrims, saying:

"On the morning of that day although it will not disturb us in our repose, the voice of acclamation and gratitude commencing on the Rock of Plymouth shall be transmitted through millions of the sons of the Pilgrims until it loses itself in the murmurs of the Pacific seas."

Contest Closes Tonight

The contest in the News' Greater Circulation Campaign will close tonight at 7:30 o'clock as announced from the beginning. The committee, or a majority of them, previously named in the paper from time to time will be in charge of the count.

The count in the contest will be made in the directors' room of the Security State Bank and it is believed that it can be finished by 8:30 o'clock. All contestants who desire to be present are requested to be on hand at that hour and announcement of the results will be made immediately following the count.

Interest in the campaign ran high throughout the day and no one can possibly have any definite idea who the winners are, due to the fact that three or four of the leading contestants were neck and neck in the race when the last standing was published Tuesday evening. The various prizes will be delivered to the winners, whoever they are, at nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

State News

KINGFISHER—Red Cross contributions in Kingfisher county total \$1,428.

KINGFISHER—James Williams drew one year in the state penitentiary at McAlester for robbing the J. C. Stinson hotel.

DURANT—While playing with a rifle, Orrie Ronsdale, 11 years old, accidentally shot and killed his sister, 10 years old, at their home six miles north of this place last week.

PAUL SVALLEY—Eight thousand men have joined Oklahoma Cotton Growers' association in Garvin county. Hundreds more are expected to become members.

OKMULGEE—Work will start soon on the \$1,000,000 paving program in this city. Business men will pay one-half the cost of paving and the remainder will be secured in a special levy, it is said.

MIAMI—Construction of Miami's \$13,000 new library will commence within the next few weeks. Citizens will be asked to contribute to the \$3,000 fund to be raised.

GUTHRIE—The annual state "range" meeting was held here December 21 and 23. Guthrie made elaborate preparations and thirty convales. Two hundred and thirty new strangers have been formed, since the last meeting.

BARTLESVILLE—The United States postoffice department has removed Frank S. Neptune, as postmaster of Bartlesville and John McMullan, former city commissioner, has been appointed to the position. Postal inspectors, it was said, found Neptune \$2,500 short but the latter claims he made the shortage good himself.

OKLAHOMA CITY—Granting a rate raise to a public utility with a reserve clause that provides that the increase must be used to create a fund that will protect the public, is a new precedent established by the state corporation commission.

The new plan was adopted in the granting of a rate hike to 30 cents at Ardmore recently, and indication at the commission is that the plan will be followed in other orders.

The Ardmore company was awarded a raise of 10 cents per 1,000 cubic feet. The commission provides that operating expense, and reasonable reserve for maintenance and depreciation, and a reasonable dividend may be claimed by the company. All in excess of these requirements that may accrue from the rate, must be put in a fund that can be expended only at the will of the commission.

That the excess fund could be used only in putting out new lines to obtain gas for the consumers, is the commission's proposal. The fund is to be kept to provide money for the "lean years" of the company. Should the fund become gorged, the rate will be lowered.

Notice of Sale of Lands Under Execution.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a writ of execution issued out of the clerk's office of the District Court in and for Jackson County, State of Oklahoma, on the 13th day of November, 1920, in an action wherein Arthur Coffman, was plaintiff, and L. R. McFann and H. C. Morgan, were defendants, commanding me to levy upon property belonging to the said defendants, L. R. McFann and H. C. Morgan, to satisfy a judgment rendered in said action in favor of said Arthur Coffman against said L. R. McFann and H. C. Morgan, for the principal sum of \$3250.00, and interest thereon in the sum of \$1330.00, and costs of suit amounting to \$413.35 and accruing costs, said judgment having been rendered in said court on the 10th day of September, 1915, I have levied upon certain lands and tenements and oil and gas leases belonging to the said L. R. McFann and H. C. Morgan, not exempt from sale under execution, for want of goods and chattels of the said L. R. McFann and H. C. Morgan, situated in Pontotoc County, Oklahoma, and described as follows, to-wit:

All of the right, title and interest of said defendants, the same being not less than an undivided 3-25 interest in and to the West Half of the Southeast Quarter, and the East Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section Twenty-eight (28), Township Five (5) North, Range Eight (8) East of the Indian Base and Meridian, and which I have duly caused to be appraised according to law at \$3840.00, and

Also all the right, title and interest of said defendant, the same being not less than an undivided 1-2 interest in an oil and gas lease on the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section Twenty-nine (29), Township Five (5) North, Range Eight (8) East of the Indian Base and Meridian, which I have duly caused to be appraised at the sum of \$200.00, and

Also an oil and gas lease on the Northeast Quarter of Section Twenty-nine (29), Township Five (5) North, Range Eight (8) East of the Indian Base and Meridian, which I have duly caused to be appraised at \$1600.00.

Now, Therefore, Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of the commands of said writ, I will offer for sale and sell for cash to the highest bidder, said lands and tenements and oil and gas leases, or so much thereof as will satisfy said judgment and costs, on the 10th day of January, 1921, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day at the front door of the court house in the City of Ada, Oklahoma, in Pontotoc County, Oklahoma.

Witness my hand this 9th day of December, 1920.

BOB DUNCAN,
Sheriff of Pontotoc County, Oklahoma.

Kex-12, 9, 16, 23, 30 and 1-6.

BE PREPARED IS OUR MOTTO

BIRTHDAY TO BE HONORED

Eleventh Birthday Will Be Celebrated on Feb. 11.

The anniversary of the boy scouts of America will be celebrated Tuesday, February 8, they will be 11 years old that day. This will probably be one of the greatest days of the new year for scouting and many things are being planned for the day, although it will be more than a month before the time comes 'round.

One of these will be the awarding of first and second class badges and merit badges to the scouts of all the troops. Much fun is being planned and there will not be an idle minute for any boy that day. This day will be celebrated all over the United States and all scouts will endeavor to be at their best then. Good turns, cheerfulness, and all the principles of scouting will be fully put into effect. New recruits will be solicited and countless things for the betterment of the movement will be done.

CREDIT SYSTEM IN FULL SWAY

The work credit system introduced last week has been started and the boys have started to saving their money. Many of the scouts have already started their accounts and more are ready to do so.

Scouts who have trouble to get work should not grow discouraged. There is plenty of work for scouts to do and many people have jobs that they would be more than glad for the scouts to do. It takes never ceasing hunting and efforts to make a success and no scout will be a slacker.

Edgar Meacham

NORMAN, Dec. 20.—Secretary of the Oklahoma high school athletic association. Roomer football coach at the University of Oklahoma, chairman of the annual inter

THE BOY SCOUT NEWS

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BOY SCOUTS AND THE EMPTY STOCKING FUND

The five troops of Scouts in the city have donated the amount of \$6.45 to the empty stocking fund which the Red Cross is conducting as a means to give the poor people of the city help during the coming Christmas. One troop has been donating five dollars to the Armenian relief fund for the past year and now join the entire scout organization of the city in helping the poor at home.

This shows the spirit of the scouts in their purpose of being useful. They have not only given their money but have volunteered their time and efforts. Committees have been appointed to assist the Elks Club in their work of helping make this Christmas one of joy to the unfortunate.

STUNT NIGHT ENJOYED BY MANY ADA SCOUTS

Much Fun Had By All Present; Plans for Christmas Work Made.

Last Friday night was a gay affair for the scouts of the city, when they met at the city hall to "pull" some stunts and have a good time. It was not lacking in any respect as the best time in the scout history of the city was had and the troops were brought together and made better acquainted.

Some of the stunts for the afternoon were a relay race, which was won by Troop 4, a "tag-of-war," which was easily won by Troop 1, and many other events. Another feature which furnished a barrel of fun was a three-cornered pillow fight between three of the scouts, one dressed to represent a colored lady, one dressed to represent Mutt and one Jeff. They were blindfolded and while they fought the other scouts held their sides and laughed until the tears came.

The meeting was not all fun, which is not the purpose of scouting altogether, and important business was discussed. This was the appointment of committees to help the Elks in their charity work during Christmas. It was not decided at the meeting which evening the scouts would be on duty to help in this work but announcement of the fact will be made later.

The boy scout council and the Boy Scout News wish every scout a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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SCHEDULE OF CREDITS FOR LAST PERIOD

SCHEDULE FOR SUBSCRIPTION CREDITS

Embracing the last days of the campaign (terminating December 23rd) the following credits will be issued on subscriptions:

WEEKLY		DAILY	
1 yr., \$2.00	400	6 mo., \$3.00	200
2 yr., \$4.00	2,500	1 yr., \$5.00	600
3 yr., \$6.00	5,000	2 yr., \$10.00	4,000
4 yr., \$8.00	7,500	3 yr., \$15.00	7,500
5 yr., \$10.00	10,000	5 yr., \$25.00	15,000

SCHEDULE OF CREDITS FOR JOB CARDS

Schedule of credits on Job Printing for the last period—beginning Tuesday, Dec. 21st, and terminating Thursday evening, Dec. 23rd at 7:30. These ballots must be polled in the sealed ballot box placed in the Merchants and Planters Bank.

\$10 Job Coupon	— 6,000 Credits
\$20 Job Coupon	— 20,000 Credits
\$50 Job Coupon	— 90,000 Credits

"DO A GOOD TURN DAILY"

WILL PLAY FIRST GAMES

Inter-Troop Games Will Be Played in City Hall.

Tuesday night of next week will be the first night for the scout basketball games and the troops will begin the series of games for the championship then. The troops have been selecting their teams and the court will be put in shape.

The city hall will be used for the place of the inter-troop games and the goals and court lines will be made ready next week. Good material has been showing up in many of the troops and it is expected that many hard games will be played before the season closes. All the troops are confident of their ability to win and most of the teams are about equally matched in size and weight. One of the main features of these games will be the promotion of good fellowship in contest of any sort, thus teaching the boys to play square and take defeat in a good spirit.

SCOUTS GET A NEW TROOP NAME

The troop of scouts in north Ada has selected the name, "The Irving School Troop," as the title by which they will be known in the future and their place of meeting will be in the Irving school building.

They will meet every Thursday night in regular session and regular business matters will be established as the older troops have already established and are now exercising.

The high mark of 6,000 high school students, with approximately 1,000 boys entered in the track and field events alone, competing for the state honors.

Meacham is already making extensive plans for the seventeenth annual interscholastic meet, which will be held at the University of Oklahoma May 5, 6 and 7. Bulletins are being prepared under his direction and will probably be mailed out shortly before the Christmas vacation period.

Our Daily Meal

Lemon Pie.

1 1/2 cups sugar.
1/4 cup flour.
Few grains salt.
Juice of 2 lemons.
Grated rind.
3 egg yolks.
1 cup boiling water.
1 teaspoon butter.

Mix sugar, flour and salt, add boiling water, stirring constantly. Cook 15 minutes, then add butter, egg yolks, rind and juice of 1 lemon. Turn into a pie plate or preferably a pan that is perforated or made of wire and lined with flaky pastry which has been baked until a golden brown. Make a meringue of 3 egg whites and add one-half cup of powdered sugar, with teaspoon of lemon juice; cover pie with meringue and bake in a moderate oven until brown. Allow to cool before serving.

President Obregon, of Mexico, has been invited to attend the inauguration of Governor Elect Pat Neff, January 1.

Whitman's Christmas Messenger



Santa Claus always carries candy—for 78 years he has carried Whitman's—this year more than ever. Make up your list of Christmas candy now and trust us to deliver the best candies in most attractive packages. This year put on your list for finest candies a few people who will appreciate them but who seldom are able to get them.

Sold Exclusively By

Palm Garden

118 E. Main. Phone 294.

Store News is Good News

It gets right down to where you live. It concerns the things of your every-day life. Every newspaper you see has its "news columns" and its "advertising columns."

The first tell of happenings near and far—of fires, of sports, elections, accidents, marriages, deaths, great men and great events.

The second of things you eat, wear and use—things you have to buy—things that are being sold to your neighbors and friends in your own town.

The news columns of your paper keep you up-to-date in the world of events. That is of real importance.

But if you stop to think about it, it is important too that you know how to buy, where to buy, when to buy—that you keep posted on things necessary to feed and clothe you and your family and make you comfortable and happy.

Store News is Good News. When You Read Your Paper Don't Neglect the Advertisements

Christmas Shopping Guide



In this guide you will find advertised Christmas gifts for your every want. These are the men and merchants who are helping to make this the merriest Christmas of them all by providing gifts adapted to every age, sex and taste. No matter what the hardships, no matter what the past or future may have dealt you, don't fail to spread the spirit of Christmas by making someone else happy. Dealers advertising in this section are reliable, they want your business and the prices are right. You make no mistake when you step into an establishment that advertises in the Evening News.

To Our Friends and Patrons

We are indeed thankful for the many kind words and unmistakable evidence of the public appreciation of

AMERICAN BEAUTY BREAD

Wishing you and yours a Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year

PURE WHITE BAKERY
Phone 481 — 215 East Main

We Wish to Thank Our Many Friends and Patrons

For their splendid patronage during the past year. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year, and hope that our future relation, based on the service and quality of our merchandise and your continued good will may be mutually pleasant.

HENSLER & STORY
105 West Main — Phone 6

TO OUR FRIENDS:

If during the year that is drawing to a close, we have been able to add joy and comfort to your motoring we are truly thankful.

We trust the roads may be smooth and your car may glide through the coming year without a moment's unpleasantness, but should misfortune befall you we are at your command with efficient mechanics.

Wishing you and yours a Merry Christmas, and a Happy, Prosperous New Year

Our name is our slogan

SUDDEN SERVICE STATION

113 North Broadway

Phone 619 and 706

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

We wish to express our appreciation for the business accorded us during the past year and to all our friends and patrons we wish for you and yours

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY, PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

ROLLOW HARDWARE COMPANY

To Our Friends:

Conventional words will never do,

To convey my Christmas hopes for you;

They are crammed so full of loving cheer,

And are meant to last the whole New Year.

CRISWELL UNDERTAKING CO.
201 East Main — Phone 618

Make it a Clarion Phonograph

—and we are sure it will be a Merry Christmas to all

We thank our many friends and patrons for their liberal patronage during the past year and hope to merit a continuance of same throughout 1921

To You and Yours

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

HOLLEY DRUG CO.
200 West Main — Phone 18

Mac Says:



You can't go wrong if you include a box of Elmer's famous Chocolates with your Christmas purchases. From one-half to five pound boxes at 75c to \$8.50 box.

"Goodness Knows They Are Good"

WAIT'S DRUG STORE

Store of Courtesy — 115 East Main — Phone 12



Order a Rabbit for the Kiddies Christmas

New Zealand Reds and Flemish Giants
All ages, priced from \$1.00 up.

J. M. WELBORN
Phone 339



Don't Rob Peter to Pay Paul

The money you are afraid to spend on advertising, you are losing on left-over stock. The merchant who advertises constantly, turns his stock more often, enabling him to figure a closer margin of profit than the non-advertiser. Have our advertising manager call at once. Phone 4.

ADA NEWS PUBLISHING COMPANY

SEASON'S GREETINGS

As the old year draws to a close we wish to thank you one and all for the patronage extended us, and trust that our service prices and quality of merchandise has been such that throughout the coming year you will not hesitate to call us when in need of groceries.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year

HARALSON GROCERY
Phone 65 — 206 East Main

Prices That Will Please

The News job shop is equipped to handle commercial printing. Nothing too large or nothing too small for its presses. Christmas Cards are now in stock and are absolutely guaranteed to please you.

Give Us a Trial

The News Job Shop

"It pleases us to please you."

116 North Broadway

Phone No. 4

Make it a Baldwin Piano

There is nothing she would more appreciate, not only at this time, but in years to come, she would think of this as her most joyous Christmas.



TO OUR FRIENDS:

May the best of good cheer be yours throughout the coming year and may we be able to add to your happiness by furnishing music that is beautiful and inspiring.

We thank you, one and all for the liberal patronage during the past year and trust our service has been such that we may reasonably expect a portion of your 1921 patronage

L. T. WALTERS MUSIC CO.
115 South Townsend — Phone 13

Gifts of Jewelry are Gifts that Last

We trust the Christmas of 1920 will be all your heart could desire and may 1921 bring you peace and prosperity.

We thank you for the liberal patronage accorded us in the past and hope to merit a continuation of same.

CHARLES E. SPRAGUE, Jeweler
123 West Main Street

Greetings To Our Friends

We wish to thank you for past favors and hope that our service has been such that we may receive a continuance of your patronage throughout the New Year.

Wishing you and yours a Merry Christmas, a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

A. O. GREEN
Druggist — Phone 44

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HE THAT WALKETH RIGHTEOUSLY, and speaketh uprightly; he that despiseth the gain of oppressions, that shaketh his hands from holding of bribes, that stoppeth his ears from hearing of blood, and shutteth his eyes from seeing evil:
He shall dwell on high; his place of defence shall be the munitions of rocks: bread shall be given him; his waters shall be sure.—ISAIAH 33: 15, 16.

PITY THE POOR CRIMINAL.

Yes, there is an unprecedented wave of crime sweeping the United States. It is also true that 1,800 convicts in the Texas penitentiary have filed their application for pardons. And during these Christmas days of rejoicing several thousands of convicted criminals will be released from prison by the four dozen governors of the forty-eight states.

The case with which a felon can escape punishment, the trivial penalty inflicted on criminals, the uncounted pages of sob-stuff published in behalf of criminals, all is creating a nationwide belief that any citizen can commit any kind of a crime and escape with no more than a slight slap on the wrist and a temporary social inconvenience. We have national organizations working for the abolition of capital punishment. We have political parties teaching that crime is the fault of society and not of the individual culprit. We have dozens of societies prating of the suffering of the poor unfortunate prisoners. And in the meantime we have crime of every nature increasing at a rate that causes the student to become alarmed for their life of our government.

It is high time that a lot of this maudlin poppycock be terminated. The protection of society is the first consideration when criminal laws are being enacted. The protection of society should be the first consideration when criminals are apprehended and brought to trial. The protection of society should be the first consideration when criminals are convicted and when they ask for clemency. And whenever we make that protection of society a second or last consideration we are simply preparing to reap the whirlwinds of crime.

But the protection of society is rarely mentioned in these days of prison reform and sob-sister activities. We play up the inconvenience of convicts as if they were martyrs of the faith. We relate and publish graphic stories of their sufferings in lonely prison cells. We act as if we believed that the state that convicted them and imprisoned them should be forced to publicly apologize for their incarceration and pay them a life-pension as compensation for the wrongs done them.

No innocent party should ever be punished and no state should ever be inhuman in its treatment of prisoners. At the same time law and justice should mean something. The child from its very cradle should be given to understand that it is a fearful thing to violate the laws of his country, and if he shall ever violate one of those laws, the punishment he receives will be stern and lasting. Every child in America should be taught in a way that he will never forget that it is a fearful thing to face the courts of the country on a criminal charge. But we can never terminate crime waves by giving a criminal a moderate term in the state prison and pardoning him in time to vote in the next election.

ONE OF THE LEAST OF THESE.

If you want to give or take expensive Christmas presents, that is your own business. Custom and the Christmas spirit encourage liberality, and it is a splendid thing for friends to remember one another with presents that are costly, whether those presents are really needed or whether they have a useful value or not. Let the world for a few days remember that it is the Yuletide and let everyone who can remember his friends.

But let us not forget those who have no friends and who because of bitter poverty will neither give nor receive presents this Christmas. There is more genuine satisfaction and more real honor to be derived from giving some slight token of the season to some friendless pauper than there is from remembering one of many friends and much wealth. Some little present to one who suffers from the grip of poverty will bring more happiness to the donor than many presents to those who never need.

It is a sad thought this thought of the empty stocking. We do not like to think of the poor little kiddie looking at an empty stocking through bitter tears. We do not like to think of the heartache of the parent who views the child's disappointment knowing the pangs that come to a parent who cannot help the child. There are many unfortunates right here at home who will know the grief of empty stockings this Christmas. There ought not to be a single one. After all there is enough for all, and the more fortunate should think of those less fortunate and do what they can to bring happiness into every home on Christmas day.

Do you know of some one that will know nothing of the season's happiness unless you help in a little way?

There is a pathetic picture in last Wednesday's issue of the Dallas News. It is a picture of a little Polish boy, who is said to have died of starvation twenty-four hours after his photograph was taken by relief workers in the Polish capital. But what we would like to know is why didn't those relief workers feed the lad instead of taking his picture.

Williamson county, Texas, has ginned 145,000 bales of cotton this season but is not bragging about it.

been declared a holiday is that every day in the year is tax paying day in Oklahoma.

There Is a Santa Claus!

By THOMAS NELSON PAGE

PERHAPS it is because I have written a book or two about Christmas and Santa Claus that I am asked to say whether I still believe in Santa Claus, and, if I do, why I believe in him.

Of course I believe in Santa Claus, and if anyone should do away with him, or even attempt to do so, I feel that it would be an unpardonable crime, for it would be a crime against childhood. I believe in Santa Claus "because"—because I have always believed in him since I used to wake up of a Christmas morning in the little trundle bed and find that Santa Claus had really been there during the night and filled our stockings with real Christmas presents. And I believe in him because since then I have seen several generations of children—two in my own family—believe in him as others believed in him before them, and when generation after generation of little children, who know the deep things of life, who can with absolute certainty decide questions that puzzle the Magi, and can make a perfectly definite and infallible choice where right and wrong are concerned believe, who am I not to believe?

I was brought up to believe in Santa Claus, —every one in my day was—gray beard, "little round belly," sleigh, reindeer, chimneys and all, and I cling fondly to old beliefs where they mean kindness, sweetness and the joyous spirit of family life, especially where the children grew up among the elders and were not learned out to nurses, and groomed and helots. And Santa Claus was one of the traditional possessions of the people. He sometimes bore different names, such as "Kris Kringle" and "St. Nicholas" but the first was more foreign and the latter more formal, and we preferred the more friendly name—"Santa Claus."

Great preparations were made against his coming. In fact, it was for children the principal event of the year, as Christmas was the principal festival of the year. It was known as "the holidays," and the secret coming of Santa the chief event of the season. Such excitement as there was over it as bedtime drew near and the stockings were to be hung! Bold would he have been who dared to raise a question even Claus the night of Christmas Eve with his Christmas presents was, at least for children, as to the chimney's being the best mode for ingress. All houses had chimneys in those days perhaps among other reasons for the special convenience of Santa Claus.

Of course, everyone knew that Santa Claus brought presents only to "good children"—we were told this often enough—but happily, the test of goodness for that night was easy to attain, for it was only Sleep, and by some strange alchemy sleep always came, however firmly we made up our minds to keep awake and watch him on the sly; so, naturally, he thought us all good, and in the morning all our stockings were bulging with delightful things, dreamed of and undreamed of, in ocular proof that Santa Claus had been there.

Of course, I believe in Santa Claus, and not only I, but all sensible people in him. No better test of a crank exists than this: "Do you or do you not believe in Santa Claus?" If he is a normal person with any humor or vision he says: "Of course; don't you?" If, however, he says "No," he is a crank—hopeless—lost—a blink leader of the blind.

Some years ago—now a good many years ago—a little girl, as Christmas drew near, wrote a letter to the Sun, which in those days "shone for all," asking if there were still a Santa Claus, and Francis P. Church, one of Charles A. Dana's right-hand men, wrote her a reassuring and beautiful letter to satisfy her that there certainly was a Santa Claus. I have more than one copy of that letter so carefully put away that off here in England I can not find it to send it to you.

If I had it I should not need to write this to convince anyone that Santa Claus still survives and still goes his joyous rounds every Christmas Eve night, and I should not like to have any child in America left in any doubt whatsoever that Santa Claus still lives and will continue to live in eternal kindness and cheer so long as the light of the imagination glows in the soul and touches the world to a beauty that is reflected in the limpid eyes of childhood; so long as mothers and fathers love their children, and grandmothers and grandfathers love their grandchildren and re-live their childhood in their joy; so long as memories of childhood survive as little bits of heaven in

hearts that have grown stony or have been choked by briars and thorns—the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of many things—especially by a too practical mind that seeks and grovels among mere material facts with vulgure-like avidity.

That dear friend of youth, Charles Lamb, has said that "in the little Goshen of Childhood there is always light."

It is sad indeed when we give up the beliefs of our childhood. It is a proof not that when we then believed in has changed, but that we have changed. We have lost some of the light that we had in our "little Goshen." Santa Claus may appear to us no more, but he still travels in his annual Christmas rounds to bless myriads of homes with cheer and carry joy to countless children.

If Santa Claus no longer makes us thrill it is because we have lost the freshness of imagination which in childhood creates a universe in a flash and gives a world to be explored around every corner. This is why grown up owls hoot solemnly of bricks and mortar; dull, straight, prosaic streets and walls and other prosaic facts while children are thrilling and twittering over shining imaginings—the true realities of childhood, such as Santa Claus sleigh, drawn by reindeer who spurn brick walls, steep roofs and such like trumpet barriers, and with flying leaps bear Santa Claus to where, careless of space, he can reach the stockings and hearts of dreaming children throughout all lands. What are "facts" to the virgin imagination of childhood? Isolated, crude material lifeless things are facts, blocking ways that childhood overleaps like Santa Claus' reindeer.

Are brutal, material facts the only facts. Are there not immaterial facts—alive, impalpable, yet more real than the others? Children's facts are mainly immaterial. Go ask any child you know and learn wisdom. Is not Christmas a fact? Go down the street anywhere the day before Christmas and see for yourself. There are the shops full, blazing, dazzling. There are the people hurrying, pushing, thronging, panting, smiling. But these are not Christmas; these are only the signs and tokens brought there by Christmas, as the stockings full Christmas morning will be the signs of Santa Claus' visit.

Christmas is the spirit that has created these outward signs and tokens, and this is a greater and more powerful fact than all the toys, and sweets and other Christmas presents in the shops.

Just when Santa Claus first came I can not exactly tell you. I only know that a long time ago, nearly 2,000 years ago, in a country a great way off from here there were shepherds—simple childlike folk—watching their flocks in the fields by night, and an angel appeared to them, bringing glad tidings of great joy, for he said that that day was born in the City of David, which was Bethlehem, a Savior whom they were looking for, and that they would find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host singing "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to men of good will."

And after his holy work began to spread over Christendom and his worship spread likewise, our wise men called this night Christmas an din time it became the custom to keep it as a great festival of peace and good will, of cheer and joy. And in this Christmas spirit came Santa Claus; the joy of childhood; the golden opportunity of maturer age for dispensing happiness.

Of course, I believe in Santa Claus, and I am sorry for all the practical minded, prosaic, poor souls who have no light of imagination to help them understand what all children know. They can never know about Santa Claus any more than the deaf know music or the blind know beauty. If they doubt Santa Claus let them try sending Christmas presents to any children they know or to any poor person they know, and they will soon have reason to change their minds.

But, no matter what they say or do, Santa Claus will come every Christmas so long as children believe in him, and if he should ever stop coming it will be a sad Christmas for the world, for it will have lost the happiest season of the year, sacred to children, but in which even the grown-up people can become as little children, and so have for a few hours a bit of heaven on earth within them.

WHAT OTHERS SAY

Let Venizelos come to America. He can have any restaurant he wants.—Winona (Minn.) Republican-Herald.

Office seekers are busily pondering where and how and for what salary they can best serve their country.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Yesterday was the shortest day of the year, notwithstanding it came before breakfast and stayed till after supper.—Dallas News.

The 1919 record of 3,808 killings by automobiles in America will look a little less startling when the larger figures for 1920 appear.—Oklmulgee Daily News.

Most of us are nervous awaiting the outcome of that Tokio student debate on the subject, "Shall Japan Fight America?"—Denver Rocky Mountain News.

Muskogee, still a democratic stronghold, wants to fill nearly all the federal offices in sight, and that Oklahoma City will take any left over.—Bartlesville Examiner.

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We wonder why that little boy was so polite to us up at the boarding house this morning. The same may be said of our janitor who cleaned out our cuspidor today for the first time in a year.—The Daily Ardmoreite.

The final figures have been announced by the census bureau. Oklahoma is given a population of 2,028, 283. Kansas, 1,769,508. If all the Kansans in Oklahoma were to return to their native state it would have a larger margin than Oklahoma has at the present time.—Bartlesville Examiner.

READ THE ADS—SAVE MONEY.

St. Agnes Academy

A splendid school for Girls Will accept Chickasaws and Choctaws. For particulars address Sister Superior ST. AGNES ACADEMY Ardmore, Oklahoma



The Joy of Vigorous Womanhood
It's great to sense the thrill of delight which comes of the conscious possession of a strong, robust physique—to know that exquisite feeling of physical freshness which lends zest to and gives an appetite for clean and wholesome sports.
The girl or young woman who cannot enter into the spirit or actual enjoyment of sportful games because of a frail constitution is missing half of what holds for her. Besides, she will always be denied her rightful place in the sphere of womanhood while her body vigor remains below par.
It is important that every woman know of the value of FORCE in conditions of physical weakness and mental fatigue. FORCE gives strength to tired and exhausted brains and bodies, by eliminating poisonous waste matter, rebuilding worn-out tissues, replenishing the blood with rich, red corpuscles, increasing the appetite and aiding the digestion. Get a bottle of FORCE today (all drug stores have it) and you will begin to know something of the joy of strength and health.
"It Makes For Strength."



Force Tonic
The Master Rebuilder

PERHAPS YOU HAVE FORGOTTEN SOMEONE FOR CHRISTMAS

Only One More Shopping Day

So if you have, be sure and visit our store

It's sensible to give useful presents and we have them—remember the balance of our Dolls go at

25 Per Cent Discount

House Slippers in all colors and at prices you care to pay

Still selling those Hand Tailored, Silk Lined, Young Men's Suits at \$32.85, worth up to \$60

All our fine Wool Sweaters for Ladies at ½ Price!

Choice of any Ladies' Suit in house \$25.95

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THE A.P. Brown Co. INC.

EVERYTHING TO WEAR FOR EVERYBODY

"WHY PAY MORE"

Store Open Evenings from Monday Until Christmas

Christmas Gifts of Furs

½ OFF

Just the time to bundle up in luxurious Furs is Christmas—and for the gift they are replete with feeling and Christmas spirit expressed in terms of beauty, comfort and satisfaction.

All Our Furs Are Marked at One-Half Off

Regular \$12.50 to \$165.00

ONE-HALF OFF

You can buy Christmas Furs here with the assurance of getting the best for the least money.



Women's Gift Slippers

House Slippers for mother, sister or friend—a big array of pretty colors at

\$1.50, \$2, \$2.50 and \$3



Umbrellas for Gifts

We are showing a very large assortment of Umbrellas for women that make useful Christmas gifts.

The Rain or Shine Umbrella, is made on an eight-ribbed paragon frame, with tips and handles to match in ivory, celluloid, or combination of wood and ivory. Price, each

\$2 to \$12.50

ESTABLISHED 1903

SIMPSON'S
THE SURPRISE STORE

115-117 WEST MAIN ST.

IN SOCIETY

Gatlin's Christmas Home Coming.
Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Gatlin of W. 15th street are entertaining with a large house party during the Christmas holidays having as their guests their children and grandchildren who have arrived this week. Already they have twined the wreaths holly and hung the mistletoe and bells and by today gay laughter of the many ones there tell of true Christmas spirit.

The doors of the large Gatlin home have been thrown open and by the first of the week many had arrived, the first of them being Mr. and Mrs. Gatlin's daughter, Mr. R. W. White and husband, Mr. White and little Josephine White of Purcell.

Besides the happy Christmas that has been looked forward to there are congratulations to be offered as two of the sons, one of them Mr. L. M. Gatlin of Woodward, brings a bride with him and Mr. Earl J. Gatlin of Willow also brings a bride and with them came another son, Mr. E. A. Gatlin from Granite.

Sunday night Mrs. Fred W. Whitney, another daughter, came from Hamilton, Ohio, and on the following morning Mr. Whitney arrived. Beside those who have already arrived there are some expected to arrive Christmas eve. Mrs. Armelia Gatlin of Purcell and Mr. Walter Gatlin and wife and children of Center.

Of the children there are some residing here. Russell Gatlin, youngest son of the family, and Mr. Fred Combs, a son-in-law, and children, Ronald, Aubrey, Mildred, and Harriett Dee and Mr. Combs' father, who lives on W. 15th.

There are many parties and dinners planned during this happy reunion, among them the Christmas tree at the home of the Combs Friday night, at which all of the younger members of the family will take part and entertain the older members. Then Christmas day at high noon there will be a large Christmas dinner cooked and served in real southern style.

During their stay here the men of the family will spend their leisure hours hunting while the ladies shop and at the close of each happy day they all rather around the fire and exchange through laughter and joyful sayings their many different experiences of the day.

When breezes are soft and skies are fair,
I steal an hour from study and care,
And hie me away to a woodland scene,
Where wanders the stream with waters green;

As if the bright fringe of herbs on its brink,
Had given their stain to the wave they drank;
And they, whose meadows it murmurs through,
Have named the stream from its own fair hue.

—Bryant.
Miss Hattie McCard, who is teaching near Tupelo, was in the city today visiting friends.

Miss Lucy McCormick of Texas is here visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Vertrees, over the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. G. C. Harris and children of Madill will arrive in the city tomorrow to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. LeAllen have returned to their home in Tulsa after spending a few days here visiting friends.

Miss McAllister, teacher in the high school here, left today for Norman where she will visit her parents over Christmas.

Miss Mattie Lucas, who is teaching school at Yale, is here to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Miss Helen Moser arrived today from Tulsa where she is attending college to spend the Christmas holidays with home folks and friends.

Misses Pearl and Ruby Gay, who have been teaching at Yale, have arrived in the city to spend the Christmas and New Year holidays with their parents and other relatives and friends.

Miss Lonnie Morris arrived in the city yesterday from Coalgate, where she is teaching school, to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Miss Alice Francisco, teacher in the Normal, left today for her old home in Oswego, Kan., where she will spend the holidays with relatives and friends, returning after the New Year holidays to take up her work here again.

A. M. Dupree of Spiro was in the city for a short time yesterday visiting friends and relatives. He left yesterday afternoon for Roff where he will visit relatives.

Lennox and Nadine Roddies, who have been attending school in Virginia, have arrived in the city to spend Christmas with their grandparents.

Leonard Ferris, who is attending the high school here, left today for his home in Connorsville where he will visit home folks and friends for several days.

The Oliver children, who are attending school at Ardmore, arrived in the city yesterday to spend Christmas with their sister.

Mr. Clary of the Normal will leave today for Oklahoma City where he will spend the Christmas and New Year holidays with friends.

Miss Wanda Johnson, who has been in the city for several weeks,

WHAT PARIS IS WEARING DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON



Here are three costumes which are truly Parisian and they show what France is to wear through the holiday season. At the left is a unique three-quarter length coat with a fringe effect given by monkey fur which is now the rage. The high collar and cuffs are trimmed with the same fur. The coat itself is of a fur fabric which resembles pony skin.

In the center is a military cape suit which is extremely unique and pretty. The buttons and braid on the front of the frock give the military touch and the same effect is repeated on the shoulders of the cape. A broad band of seal trim

the cape and forms the large collar which fastens high about the neck. At the right is a high colored frock, simply made with a plain bodice and a tiered skirt. Its severity is relieved by a circle of brilliant Persian ribbon. The wrap is brown duvetyr with opossum collar and cuffs.

CITY BRIEFS

Mrs. R. T. Felling and children of Konawa were shopping in the city yesterday and looking after other business matters.

J. A. Harden returned today from Helena, Ark., where he has been for the past few weeks looking after business matters. While there he also visited relatives.

Miss Lillie McKeel of Holdenville was a shopper in the city yesterday, returning today to her home in that place.

Prices on Christmas Novelties are greatly reduced. We want to close out all novelty goods, so this is your chance to get that nice present cheap.—Webb Book Shop. 12-23-1t

Mrs. Mary Smith of Francis left this morning for her home in that place after spending yesterday and today in the city doing some Christmas shopping and looking after other business matters. While here she also visited friends.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Carson, 1023 E. 8th, a fine 11-pound boy, Wednesday. Mother and baby doing nicely.

A class in telegraphy will start January 4 by an operator of 20 years experience. For further information, address Ada Telegraph school. 12-16-1t

News want ads get results.

Empty Stocking Fund

There are more than two hundred children in Ada who will miss all the joy and gladness of Christmas times unless funds are provided to purchase a few of the things that bring Santa Claus to the hearts and lives of childhood. To this end, the Lions club of Ada is starting an empty stocking fund to be placed in the hands of Mrs. Orville Sneed, secretary of the local Red Cross and United Charities, to be used by her or her committee to provide the children with stockings and something to put in them. Every organization and every individual interested is requested to send the amount of contribution and by whom made to Mrs. Orville Sneed. The results of this campaign will be published daily until December 23.

Lions club	\$50.00
Mrs. Estelle W. Cain	5.00
Webb Book Store	5.00
Cash	5.00
Cash	5.00
Cash	5.00
Ada Evening News	10.00
Francis Rives	5.00
Episcopal Sunday school	1.00
C. C. Lea	1.00
Cash	1.00
Mrs. Francis Wintersmith	5.00
Cash	1.00
Cash	1.00
Masons	10.00
Barbers Union	3.00
Printers Union	6.50
Boy Scouts of Ada	6.45

Notice.

All union barber shops will close all day Saturday, Christmas day. Will remain open till 9:30 p. m., Friday night. 12-20-4td

Here Is a List of Gifts that any Man will Appreciate



If the man you are planning for is like the men we do business with the year 'round he will like the gifts we mention here much better than he would like a five times more expensive trinket.

Everyone is useful—likeable—acceptable—wearable—and everyone has the virtues that a Christmas gift must have to capture a man's appreciation.

Just look this list over carefully and perhaps you may change your mind about giving him that shaving mug—at least we hope so—and SO DOES HE.

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City Briefs

Get it at Gwin & Mays.

Grant Irwin Garage for the best of service phone 2. 9-10-1m

Ada Seed & Feed Co., Phone 697. 11-3-1m.

Mrs. W. W. Nunley of Konawa was a shopper in the city yesterday.

Phone 244 about our Christmas ice cream specials. 12-17-1t

Mrs. H. A. Green of Fitzhugh was in the city yesterday visiting relatives and friends and shopping.

Dr. Ella D. Coltrane Osteopathic Physician. Phone 1002 and 156.

Dr. M. J. Beets, osteopath, First National Bldg. Phones 732-853. 12-15-1t

Mrs. C. S. Anderson spent a short time in Center yesterday looking after business matters.

Grant Irwin wants your battery business; if that battery is not working right, phone No. 2.

Prices on Christmas Novelties are greatly reduced. We want to close out all novelty goods, so this is your chance to get that nice present cheap.—Webb Book Shop. 12-23-1t

CIGARS
for Christmas

They are the universal gifts for men at Christmas—always acceptable by the man who smokes. We advise every woman to do her shopping here. You'll like the service, too, and the advice we give you in making the right kind of selection.

Palm Garden
Phone 291

Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Turner of Francis spent yesterday in the city looking after business matters.

Accordion pleated skirts, perfect work guaranteed. Ada Hemstitching Shop. 12-3-1t

R. M. Roddie left last night for Fort Worth, Texas, where he will spend a short time looking after business matters.

Grant Irwin has a very large battery outfit with an expert in charge, phone 2, for battery trouble. 9-10-1m

Misses Helen Johnson and Margaret Standridge of Stonewall were in the city today shopping and visiting friends.

Your Christmas dinner not complete without an ice cream brick. Christmas bells, trees, never-things. Phone 244. 12-17-1t

Neal Stotts, who has been ill for several weeks, is reported to be recovering and is now able to be up a little.

Prices on Christmas Novelties are greatly reduced. We want to close out all novelty goods, so this is your chance to get that nice present cheap.—Webb Book Shop. 12-23-1t

Serve "Santa Ice Cream" with your Christmas Menu. 12-17-1t

W. B. Gray of Roff spent yesterday in the city looking after Christmas shopping and attending to other business matters.

Grant Irwin advised us that Old Dragus is still in town ready to pull anytime he is needed. Phone 2. 9-10-1m

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cowling of Sasakwa left this morning for their home in that place after spending yesterday and today here shopping and looking after other business matters.

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Greet your friends with flowers on Christmas day

Carnations, per doz., \$3.
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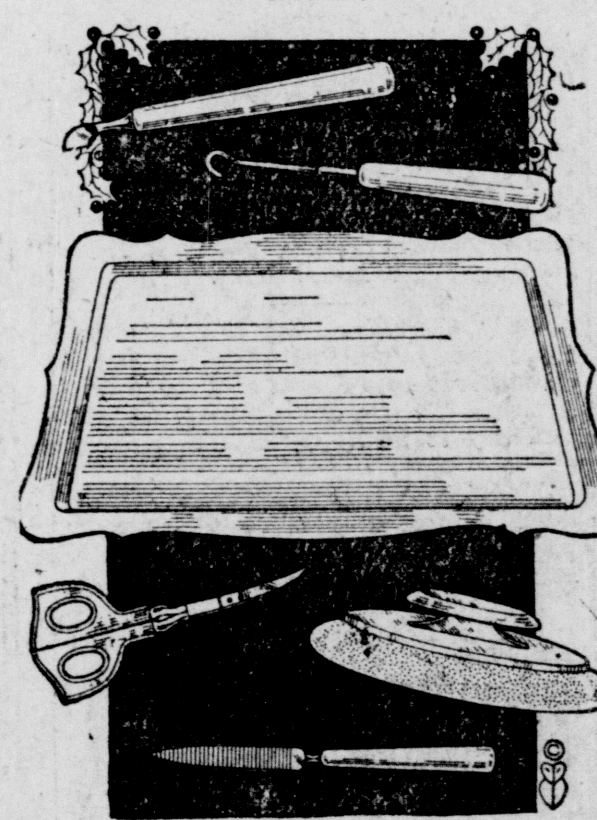
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Books.

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GO TO THEATRE

At the McSwain.
Thomas Meighan, who was so large a factor recently in the success of George Loane Tucker's "The Miracle Man" and Cecil B. DeMille's "Male and Female," is the featured player in the production of Edward Pape's well known play, "The Prince Chap." It will be shown at the McSwain theater today and tomorrow.

Mr. Meighan is another of those young men who became actors when their fathers advised them to be something else. The elder Meighan sent Thomas to college with the idea of making a physician of him. Instead, the youthful graduate broke into dramatics in a small part with Henrietta Crossman in "Miss Nell." Subsequently he played opposite Grace George and William Collier and went to London in the leading role in "The College Widow." He returned to America and took up screen work, appearing opposite practically every prominent feminine star of the cinema and becoming noted for his clear-cut, intelligent performances in roles varying from butlers and master crooks to ex-army captains and society men.

In "The Prince Chap," Mr. Meighan is a sentimental artist who upsets his love affair by acquiring a 4-year old child as his ward, but who later achieves happiness. William De Mille produced the picture, and it is a Paramount Artcraft release.

At the Amercan.
The American theater announces as the featured attraction, beginning today, "Down Home," the first independent production made by Irvin V. Willat, the young director responsible for "Behind the Door" and "Below the Surface." "Down Home" was adapted by Mr. Willat himself from the Frank N. Westcott novel, "Dabney Todd."

It is a story of New England, and has a homely appeal—the appeal of the clean, wholesome life of the country, of one-horse chaises and modest, vine-covered cottages, of country lanes bordered with wild flowers, and country maids in gingham gowns. The characters are as simple as their surroundings, and the story of their lives is simple, too, but strong because of that very simplicity. It is a story of youth struggling bravely for high ideals against the enemies of poverty and disappointment, of the pitiful striving of an old man to free himself from the curse of drink for the sake of the daughter who has bravely sacrificed for his sake, of the unwavering love of a lovable, clean-minded youth for the girl he has known since childhood.

Bright flashes of humor relieve the deeper, more serious, vein of this story, and through it all are found the thousand and one homey touches that make such a strong appeal.

The cast is a notable one, and includes Leatrice Joy, Edward Hearn and Robert William Daly in the leading roles, and Frank Braidwood, Aggie Herring, James O. Barrows, William P. Lockney, Florence Gilbert and others are seen in roles which they are said to interpret admirably.

COTTON GROWERS ARE URGED TO STORE COTTON

McALESTER.—Cotton growers in this district are urged to make the most of their crop by storing it so that the minimum loss of weight will result, in a report of D. E. McBride, government cotton classifier, citing statistics taken from government experiments.

"A series of experiments conducted recently by the bureau of markets has shown that a bale of cotton placed out in the open, flat on the ground, with no covering, was damaged to the extent of 370 pounds at the end of eight months," the report said, "while another bale, placed on edge, with no further attention, lost 167 pounds."

"A bale of cotton placed on timbers off the ground and turned once a week, lost fifty-nine pounds, and a bale placed on timbers and covered with a tarpaulin lost but fourteen pounds. A ware house bale of cotton during the same period lost only one pound," the report declared.

Mr. McBride said in his report that damage to cotton from exposure in one season alone was estimated at \$70,000,000.

PATRONIZE MERCHANTS WHO ADVERTISE.

KIDDIES' KLUB REHEARSES CHRISTMAS PLAY



The Kiddies' Klub, a group of little artists in New York, is now putting the finishing touches on

its Christmas play, "In Wishing-dom." The play is to be staged at the Metropolitan Opera House.

Florence Gunther and Dorothy Wier, toe-dancers, at left, and Miriam Battista in an artistic pose.

The photos were taken during a recent dress rehearsal of the children in the play.

Santa Claus Letters

Francis Bronaugh wants a pretty doll, a good story book, some pretty dresses for my old doll, a set of dishes, plenty of fruit, candy and nuts. Clarence Bronaugh is her cousin and she wants him to have a monkey that will climb a string and a rubber ball.

Dorothy Mae Newell lives on E. 13th street and she is nearly four years old. She wants a sleepy doll with curls, a little skillet and a set of dishes, some furs, a little wash board and tub, some candy, fruit and nuts.

Herman Bigger wants some nice toys and lots of fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget his little sister.

Alpha Bailey lives near Tyrola and she is a nice, good little girl five years old. She wants a school book and tablet, a drinking cup, a pair of scissors, some little dishes, a little table, and a nice doll.

Wilma Bentley is seven years old and in the third grade. She wants a hand bag with hoops and thread and a piece of embroidery work in it and a story book and a rain coat, a little doll trunk, lots of doll clothes and a doll bed and she wants you to visit all the children in her neighborhood.

Opal Blankenship is five years old and lives seven miles south of Ada. She wants a doll bed and a set of dishes and lots of fruit and nuts. Her little brother wants an air gun, a box of shells, some fire crackers, fruit and nuts.

Dena May Blankenship is two years old. She wants a doll, a doll bed, and lots of apples, nuts, candy, oranges, etc.

Virginia Mae Young wants a sweater and cap and lots of fruit and candy.

J. D. Young is 7 years old and lives on W. 2nd street and he wants a set of carpenter tools and some fire crackers. He has a brother three years old. He wants a little rocking chair and broom.

Osey Chandler wants a doll and some candy for Christmas and Jewel Chandler wants a doll and some candy also. They want every little girl and boy to be happy Christmas day.

Medrith Atkins wants a sleepy doll, a doll buggy, a tub and a wash board and a little set of dishes and a little singer sewing machine.

Curtis Proctor wants a horn, a

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toy pistol, some caps, oranges, nuts and apples and please don't forget my teacher, Miss Grant.

Georgia Stephenson is in the second grade at school and she has tried to be good. Please bring her a doll buggy, roller skates, a little table, a book of Billy Whiskers, box of handkerchiefs a ball and some jacks.

Ada, Okla., 12-11-1920. Dear Santa: I lost my other letter so I will write again. I am a good boy. Please bring me something nice. I would like a french horse. Your little friend, Floyd Clelland.

Ocie Hawkins wants a hope box, a cook stove and a manicure set. She has tried to be nice all year. She want you to member all the little boys and girls.

Opal Elmore, Route 1, Box 21, is 8 years old and in the third grade and go to Pleasant Hill school. She wants a doll buggy, a sleepy doll and a lunch basket and all kinds of fruit and nuts.

Bessie Elmore is ten years old and in the fourth grade at Pleasant Hill. She wants a little stove and a set of dishes and a pair of mittens and some good things to eat.

Jewel Chandler is 10 years old and she wants a 16-inch doll and some candy. Don't forget her papa and mamma. She goes to school at New Bethel.

Osey Chandler wants a 12-inch doll and some candy. Please remember the other children. She is in the third grade at New Bethel school.

Bertha McLaughlin, 622 S. Johnson. Please bring me a doll, and a blanket and a tatting shuttle and

a thimble and a set of knitting needles.

Hazel Pearl McLaughlin, at 622 S. Johnson wants a doll and a doll blanket, some dishes, a little white sure-enough kitty that will catch mice. She is 3 years old and wants some candy and nuts.

Jack and Hermon Renfro want a train and cars, a gun and some caps, some fire crackers, fruit, nuts, candy, a big coconut, a big rubber ball, a picture book, and please don't forget their cousins, Paul, Jimmie and Irene Petty.

Cody McLaughlin, 622 Johnson.

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The Ada Evening and Weekly News

FAMOUS MULES OF MISSOURI NOT IN DEMAND NOW

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill., Dec. 21.—Sales at the mule market here, considered one of the largest in the world, are only about one-tenth of what they were last winter, according to dealers.

About 75,000 head were sold last winter when prices were at their peak, but dealers say it is probable less than 20,000 will be disposed of this winter.

"The decline in demand and in prices began last August," J. W. Harvey, representative of a large mule company explained. "This is attributed to the fact that farmers in the South are not buying because of the low prices for cotton, tobacco, lumber, rice and sugar. Most sales of mules in the winter season are for the south."

Another dealer said the only demand was for mules to be used in mines. The "mine mules" are selling from \$85 to \$300 a drop in the maximum price of \$50 since a year ago, it was said. Prices for other mules range from \$75 to \$275, compared with a range of from \$200 to \$500 twelve months ago, it was added.

wants a car and pistol and some caps and a football and anything else you want to. I am 7 years old.

Mattie Lela Reed is a little girl 8 years old and she wants a big sleepy doll, a doll carriage, a little table and four chairs and some fruit, candy and nuts and four oranges and four apples and please don't forget her teacher. Her name is Miss Flossie White and she wants a diamond ring.

29 FIRES CAUSE A PROPERTY LOSS OF NEARLY \$6,000

OKMULGEE, Okla.—Twenty-nine fires which occurred in Okmulgee during the month of November caused a loss estimated at \$5,560, according to a report of the fire chief submitted to the board of city commissioners. The property involved in the twenty-nine fires totalled \$43,810 the report showed. The loss was estimated at \$2,915 on buildings, and \$3,645 on contents. Insurance carried on the property amounted to \$45,750 and \$4,000 on contents.

WITCHHAZEL AND CAMPHOR RELIEVE EYE STRAIN

Common witchhazel, camphor, hydrastis, etc., as mixed in Lavoptik eye wash, produce quick results when used for eye strain. One customer was greatly astonished at the restful feeling produced by a single application. A young man reports that both he and his mother were greatly helped by Lavoptik. We guarantee a small bottle to help ANY CASE weak, strained or inflamed eyes.

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Men's Corduroy Suits	\$16.95
Boys' Corduroy Suits	\$6.95
Men's Wool Sox	50c
Men's Work Gloves	15c to \$2.50
Men's Dress Gloves	\$2.95

These are exceptionally good values.

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GREETINGS of the SEASON

To Our Friends and Patrons:

Our best wishes for you and yours are the joys of Merry Christmas and A Happy, Prosperous New Year

We trust that our services have been such in the past that we have merited a continuation of same throughout the New Year.

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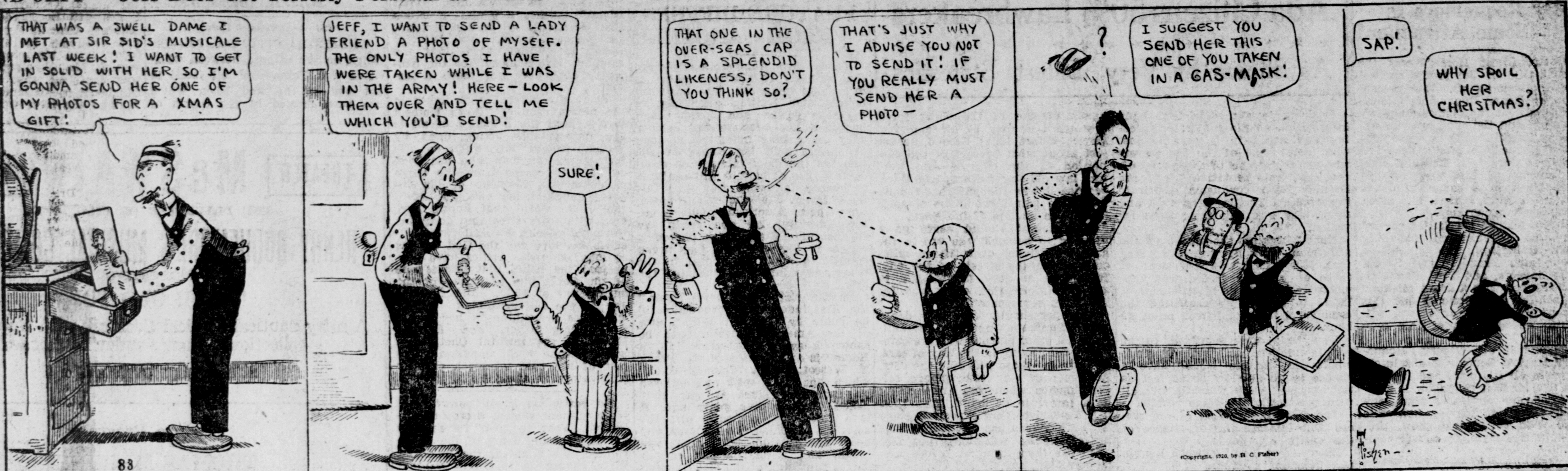
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123 East Main

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News Wants

Rates for Classified Ads

Rates for classified advertising in this department are 15¢ per word for each insertion when more than one insertion is made; a minimum charge of 25¢ for one insertion only when 17 words or less are used. Copy must be in the office by 9:00 a. m. to insure proper classification. All want or classified ads must be accompanied by cash—no advertising of this class will be accepted unless paid for in advance.

Rates for Local Readers

Local readers, whether in the personal news column or in run of paper, are 10¢ per line for each insertion. We do not guarantee position for local readers.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Desirable space at Ada Hemstitching Shop. 12-21-31*

FOR RENT—Furnished light housekeeping rooms, 506 E. 12th. 12-21-31*

FOR RENT—Large furnished rooms; no children. 223 S. Cherry. 12-21-31*

FOR RENT—Two unfurnished rooms. 323 W. 17th. 12-21-31*

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping; 231 E. 14th; Phone 972. 12-22-31*

FOR RENT—Two light housekeeping rooms furnished, 119 West 13th. —Mrs. L. A. Adair. 12-22-31*

FOR SALE—Slightly used army tent; Phone 994-J. 12-27-31*

FOR RENT—One light housekeeping room; modern. Phone 639. 12-21-31*

FOR RENT—Rooms for light housekeeping or single bed rooms; phone 954. 12-23-31*

FOR SALE

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Apartment house; yearly rental over \$2000.—Malcolm A. Smith, 217 East 15th St. Phone 691-R. 12-22-31*

FOR SALE—Two lots on West 8th street; for further information phone 854. 12-21-31*

FOR SALE—A new modern home nicely located; if you wish to save money it will pay you to investigate; phone 521.—Auten & Chadd. 12-23-31*

FOR SALE—1 Love Joy gas heater; sell cheap.—S. B. Starbuck, 302 N. Johnston. 12-23-1*

FOR SALE OR TRADE—New 6-room modern house on West 9th; could use livestock or Ford. See S. B. Starbuck, 303 N. Johnston. 12-23-1*

WANTED

WANTED—We want to buy new and second hand furniture and stoves.—Conaly & Son, phone 53. 4-14-1*

WANTED—Your old mattresses to work over. 400 East 12th. Phone 170. Ada Mattress Company. 8-30-1*

WANTED—To do your garden plowing and fertilizer hauling and general hauling. Phone 468. 11-29-261*

WANTED—Boarders. 612 W. 12th; also we want washing to do. 12-20-61*

WANTED—Competent stenographer, experience in law office preferred; must be able to take dictation rapidly and transcribe accurately; beginners need not apply; state experience and salary expected; address box 645, Ada, Okla. 12-21-31*

WANTED—Your automobile repairs; real mechanics; quick service; pre-war time prices; storage. Sam Overby. Phone 1096. East Main Garage. 401-403 East Main street. Bob Ford Bldg. 12-21-151*

The Sixty-sixth Congress convened at noon Monday, December 6. The term will last for approximately three months.

Lodge

A. F. & A. M.—Regular meeting of Ada Lodge No. 119, Monday night on or before the full moon in each month.—R. H. Gladwill, W. M.; F. C. Sims, secretary.

R. A. M.—Ada Chapter No. 26 Royal Arch Masons, meets the second Tuesday night in each month.—D. W. Swaffar, H. P.; F. C. Sims, secretary.

K. T. M.—Ada Commandery No. 16 Knights Templar Masons meets the third Friday night of each month.—M. F. Manville, E. C.; F. C. Sims, secretary.

W. O. W.—Ada Camp No. 568 meets every Tuesday night, 1. O. O. Hall, 7:30 o'clock.—H. C. Bennett, C. E.; C. E. Cunningham, clerk.

B. P. O. E.—Ada Lodge No. 1275 meets second and fourth Monday nights in each month.—H. Claude Pitt, secretary.

A. O. U. W.—Ada Lodge No. 40 meets first and third Tuesday nights, 1. O. O. F. Hall; visiting members welcome.—Blanche Brashers, M. W.; J. B. Emory, financier.

I. O. O. F.—Ada Lodge No. 146, regular meeting every Thursday.—J. B. Brown, N. G.; H. C. Evans, secretary.

MODERN WOODMEN—Lodge 10954 meets second and fourth Saturday nights of each month, at 1. O. O. F. Hall.—J. E. Russell, clerk.

FARMERS TAKE UP WITH ADVERTISING

CUSTER CITY, Dec. 18.—Farmers of this section are catching the modern way of doing things, and are turning out by looking at any of our county's six newspapers. Every issue carries from one to four quarter to half-page advertisements of public sales. Farmers are said to be beginning to realize that advertising is one of the best guarantees of success.

The old way of doing this would have been to put a sign in front of the farm and then wait for a buyer. Then the idea of posting bills on the fence corner was taken up and during the days when farmers came to town on foot or by wagon this method was thought satisfactory.

SCHOOL STUDY SPORTS

The Boys' and Girls' Newspaper

PLAN PLAY SECRETLY PEG HUSTON HEROINE

(Fourth Day of Story, "When the Boys Failed.")

The next Monday after the carnival had fizzled the boys of the Senior class noticed the Senior girls talking in little groups.

"What's the idea?" inquired Shock, as he met Peg Huston on the stairs. "Why nothing at all! Just a party we girls are planning," Peg answered innocently.

But Peg knew better. She and the Senior girls had met a few nights before and decided to put the team on its feet. They were sure they could make some money some way. After talking over several plans, they decided to give a play.

"Let's give a real play, and make Peg the leading lady," cried Fran Hoffman. "Peg thought up this plan and she deserves to be our star on that night."

Peg tried to persuade them that there were other girls in the bunch better looking girls and girls better suited for leading ladies. But they refused to listen. Finally Peg consented.

During the next two weeks there were many times when the boys wondered what the girls were up to. They tried to quiz several of them on the subject but they usually got some such answer as:

"Oh nothing, just planning a little fudge party."

In the meantime the girls were practicing day and night. Peg, especially, worked hard, for she was determined that the play should help the team.

Four days before the night of the play, big posters appeared. Senior Girls' Play, "Betty Sees It Through."

The boys of course, were curious and everyone of them, even down to the Freshmen, decided to be there. The girls had decided the same thing long before.

(More Tomorrow)



WHO IS SHE?

She loved and painted animals.

(Yesterday: John D. Rockefeller.)

Papa—See here, Willie, you mustn't bother me. When I was a little boy I didn't bother my papa with questions. Willie—Maybe if you had, pa, you'd be able to answer mine.

But now farmers come to town in automobiles and few ever see a bill on a tree or a post.

It is believed by a number of officials that the end of the year will see a reduction of \$300,000,000 in our national debt.

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And a zim-zan-zu—
And we don't give a hulla-balloo,
If we ever get back,
If we EVER get back,
If we EVER—GET—BACK!

Miss Newell—"What is a normal school?"
Bill—"A school to teach ignorant teachers."

GIRLHOOD STORIES OF FAMOUS WOMEN

ELLEN TERRY
"Ellen, dear, here is your go-cart. Go on the stage now and push it, as you did in the rehearsal this morning."

Ellen Terry's mother and father were playing in Charles Kean's show and eight year old Ellen was to take the part of the boy Mamilius.

Accidents will happen, even on the stage, and one happened to Ellen that evening. She pushed the cart with so much vigor, that she tripped over the handle and went sprawling on the floor.

A titter went through the audience—poor little Ellen thought her career as an actress was ruined.

This childish mishap did not prevent Ellen Terry from becoming one of England's leading actresses.

Those race riots in Kansas are discouraging to all serious-minded southerners, who can not but deplore the lawlessness of the northern states.—Dallas News.

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—A further decrease of two and one half per cent in food prices as compared with October was reported today by the department of labor bureau of statistics. Decreases were noted in all of the fifty-one cities for which monthly prices were tabulated with the greatest decrease of five per cent in Memphis.

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City-bred or country-bred—it makes no difference what you are; the sweet appeal of this picture is universal. It will thrill you, move you, tickle your ribs, for to see it Irvin V. Willat, the man who gave the screen "Behind the Door" and "Below the Surface" has brought all of his infinite skill.

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Home, Sweet Home,
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Some Attraction!

"Home, Sweet Home," was the unusual title of the pretty musical comedy, given an elaborate presentation by Henry Roquemore's Musical Comedy, at the McSwain theatre yesterday, and the show was an unusual as its title, as is the case with all the Roquemore productions. His show is different, it has the class and smacks of big time musical shows given in a smooth finished style, with always that big asset, pretty scenic mountings.

All the feature specialties carried with this organization including Grayce Robertson, the piano accordion girl, Brandow and Smith, society dancers, and Fred Faunt Le Roy, the boy with a dozen talents, are making a sensational hit this week with the large audiences, witnessing the offerings of this popular show.

Summing it up, Henry Roquemore's Musical Comedy is absolutely in a class all its own, and it is no small wonder that this show is playing to larger audiences than any similar attraction playing here this season. You get a real show, presented in real style, by a real company.

Cotton Market Report

December 23, 1920.
(As Furnished by the Ada Cotton Exchange.)

New Orleans Cotton.			
Open	High	Low	Close
Dec.	13.05	13.60	13.05
Jan.	13.06	13.69	13.06
Mar.	13.50	14.07	13.45

New York Cotton.

Jan.	14.17	14.73	14.15
Mar.	14.05	14.67	14.05

Wheat closed 5 cents higher, May \$1.62 1/4. Mar. \$1.66. Corn closed 1 1/2 cents higher, Dec. \$0.71 3/8. July \$0.75 1/8.

"DID NOT OFFER HUGHES JOB," SAYS MR. HARDING

(By the Associated Press)
MARION, Ohio, Dec. 23.—President-elect Harding today denied published statements that he had offered to Charles Evans Hughes the appointment of secretary of state in his cabinet.

"I find this one of the most complete bits of holiday fiction writing that has yet been brought to my attention," he told correspondents at his home here.

Italian Leader Besieged.
(By the Associated Press.)
UDINE, Italy, Dec. 22.—Fiume, the stronghold of Captain D'Annunzio, the insurgent Italian leader, is being besieged by regular Italian forces.

Big Slump in Cotton Market.
(By the Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The cotton market today broke into new low ground for the season, with March selling down to 13.95 under heavy southern and Wall street offerings, based on weak spots and unsettled financial conditions.

Mrs. W. J. Shipman of Ft. Cobb is expected to arrive in Ada on the southbound Katy this evening to visit her daughter, Mrs. Jim Bullard.

Mother Falls Unconscious

"My mother, who is 69 years old, has been troubled with her liver for 3 years. Doctors said she had gall stones. Several times she fell unconscious because of these attacks. Eight months ago I noticed an advertisement of May's Wonderful Remedy in the Toledo Blade and purchased a bottle, which did her a great amount of good. She continued the treatment and has felt entirely well since." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded.

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Ada Citizens 50% Lawbreakers
As Shown by Very Latest Statistics

Desiring to get some first hand information on the subject of speeding and ascertain if possible just what percentage of the car drivers who use the streets of the city break the law, representatives of the Evening News conducted a private investigation Tuesday afternoon, and some very startling facts were revealed.

Upon checking the result of the afternoon work it was discovered that just exactly 50 per cent of those of which a record was kept violated the law and laid themselves liable to a fine by exceeding the established limit of fifteen miles an hour.

The tests were confined to no certain section, and several streets where car drivers would have a chance to go as slow or as fast as they pleased were watched and all with practically the same results.

The following portion of the record will indicate the experience of the entire afternoon:

Place—East Main, between Rennie and Constant avenues.

Time—3:10 p. m. to 3:25 p. m.

Cars going east only.

Fourteen cars, seven of which exceeded the limit of fifteen miles an hour.

Fastest time made by a Ford in fifteen seconds.

Slowest made in forty-one seconds by Dr. Faust. Doc evidently not to blame as his car appeared to be working badly.

A representative of the News called the doctors attention to the fact that he had cheated himself out of about eighteen seconds of space and he replied that he was keeping tab on the time lost when he had plenty of it at his disposal and intended to make up for it some time in the future when he gets a hurry-up call.

Dock will just about make a \$24.75 call on the mayor.

The new Essex car that is being given by the News company to the most successful contestant in the big circulation campaign seemed to be working fine when it passed from Hope to Turner avenue at 3:51 p. m. Some boat, that. She made the block in (censored by the boss).

Most of the drivers would pinch down to fifteen miles an hour while passing the mayor's office but one nifty citizen run the gauntlet at the rate of twenty-two miles an hour and got by with it.

A city delivery wagon took the cake for horse-drawn vehicles by making 480 feet in twenty seconds from a flatfooted start.

Only one preacher was seen to break the limit, but one deacon and one steward saw that the church was fairly well represented.

This investigation was made for three reasons: First, to test the working qualities of a certain stopwatch which recently fell into the



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WHY ONE PICTURE
FEATURE DIFFERS
FROM ANOTHER

These days the motion picture that appeals to the eye alone is in a large majority. The beautiful female star trailing gracefully in gorgeous gowns and wraps and negligees has been in the ascendancy for a long time, and as long as clothes hold the center of the floor as the chief interest of women this type of picture will continue to have a following. But—and this is a large but—the big, human, sympathetic American public is always grateful for and ready to enthusiastically acclaim a photoplay which is big enough and broad enough to make an appeal to the heart and mind as well as to the eye.

Such a picture is "Down Home," the first independent production to be made by Irvin V. Willat, now at the American theatre to be shown today and tomorrow. "Down Home" is an adaptation of the Frank N. Wescott novel, "Dabney Todd," which has been read and enjoyed by thousands since it was published four or five years ago. It is a story that embodies all the emotions of which human mind and heart are capable—it makes you laugh, and it makes you cry—it makes you think of the many vicissitudes life holds for some of us, and then it makes you realize that we can make a stepping stone to higher things out of each trial that comes to us, if we only try hard

enough and look at things in the right way. In other words, "Down Home," teaches a lesson—a lesson that we should all be the stronger for having learned. And Dicteror Irvin V. Willat says that he wouldn't give a nickel for the photoplay that does not teach a lesson.

There are several high lights in the presentation of "Down Home." But perhaps the brightest of all is the unforgettable acting done by William Robert Daly, when, as the poor, weak old man who has tried so hard to escape from the curse of drink for the sake of his devoted daughter, he gets up before the whole world that knows him, and, with tears streaming down his worn old cheeks, brokenly acknowledges his love for the God he has so long ignored. Critics have expressed the belief that this is one of the finest bits of acting of the entire year of 1920. And Leatrice Joy as the self-sacrificing Nancy, who does everything in her power to help her father, and Edward Hearn as the faithful Chet, keep up the same high standard. The rest of the cast are each entirely satisfactory in their parts.

No party can be in power eight years without raising a crop of discontent. Year by year its recruits are an opposing army of the disappointed, the slighted, the failed. A party cannot be operated without giving offense to some of its subjects. The longer one man or party is in office the greater becomes the number seeking vengeance.—St. Joseph News Press.

BOUNDARY OIL CASES
WILL BE DECIDED SOON

(By the Associated Press)
OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 22.—Decision on the dispute between Oklahoma and Texas over oil lands in the bed of the Red River which has been argued in the courts of

the two states and recently before the supreme court of the United States will be handed down soon. Attorney General Freeling, who argued the case for Oklahoma, said today, upon his return from Washington, Mr. Freeling said that he was confident that the claims of Oklahoma to all lands to the south bank of the river would be upheld.

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- \$1.50 to \$15.00 Shirts, now ----- \$1.13 to \$10
- \$1 to \$7.50 Gloves, now ----- 75c to \$5.65
- 75c to \$5 Ties, now ----- 60c to \$4
- 25c to \$2.50 Hose, now ----- 19c to \$1.50
- \$2.75 and \$3.75 Women's Hose, \$2.30 and \$2.50
- \$7.50 to \$15.00 Bath Robes, now \$5.65 to \$11.25
- \$2.50 to \$5 House Slippers, now - \$1.88 to \$3.75
- 15c to \$1 Handkerchiefs, now ----- 11c to 75c
- \$1.50 to \$10 Mufflers, now ---- \$1.12 to \$7.50
- \$18 to \$50 Hand Bags, now ----- \$12 to \$30
- \$18 to \$100 Trunks, now ----- \$12 to \$66.50
- \$2 to \$27 Suit Cases, now ----- \$1.50 to \$18
- \$3 to \$15 Toilet Sets, now ----- \$2.25 to \$10
- \$2 to \$5 Hair Brush Sets, now -- \$1.50 to \$3.75
- \$3 to \$5.50 Collar Bags, now ---- \$2.25 to \$4.12
- \$3 to \$10 Pajamas, now ----- \$2.25 to \$7.50
- \$2 to \$10 Underwear, now ----- \$1.50 to \$7.50
- \$4 to \$27 Hats, now ----- \$3 to \$20.25

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